De-reservation of Lok Sabha Seats

4343. SHRI PRAKASH YASHWANT AMBEDKAR: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) how many seats were de-reserved in Lok Sabha and in the State Assemblies for Scheduled Castes by the Fourth Constitutional Amendment Act, (1955), dated 14th October, 1956;

(b) whether by the Constitutional Amendment in 1990, Buddhists have been granted political reservations;

(c) if so, whether any instructions have been issued to the Election Commission to notify that the de-reserved seats in 1956 should be reserved again; and

(d) what are the consequences of 4th Amendment of 1955 as far as de-reservation of seats in Lok Sabha and Assembly in the State of Maharashtra?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF LAW, JUSTICE AND COMPANY AFFAIRS (SHRI H. R. BHARDWAJ): (a) and (d) The Constitution (Fourth Amendment) Act, 1955 does not deal with de-reservation of seats in Lok Sabha or in State Assemblies.

(b) No, Sir. By the Constitution (Scheduled Castes) Orders (Amendment) Act, 1990, para 3 of the Constitution (Scheduled Castes) Order, 1950 was amended so as to include "Buddhists" in the list of Scheduled Castes.

(c) Does not arise.

Non-conventional energy projects in Himachal Pradesh

4344. SHRI SUSHIL BARONGPA: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) what is the total number and names of the non-conventional energy projects that have been submitted by the State Government of Himachal Pradesh, and out of this how many have been cleared/sanctioned for execution by the centre; and

(b) what is the total amount sanctioned for different projects?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF NON-CONVENTIONAL ENERGY RESOURCES WITH ADDITIONAL CHARGE OF THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI S. KRISHNA KUMAR): (a) and (b) Status of non-conventional energy projects received and sanctioned for the State of Himachal Pradesh during 1993-94 is given in the Statement including physical targets fixed for the implementation of extension programmes.

Statement

Status of physical targets and projects received/sanctioned for the State of Himachal Pradesh

		Projects Sanctional		
S. No.	Programme	Project received	Targets fixed/ Capacity	Approx. MNES share (Rs. in lakhs)
1.	Biogas Plants	—	3600 Nos.	140
2.	Improved Chulhas	—	35,000 Nos.	19
3.	Solar Cookers	-	3000 Nos.	4.95
4.	Solar Thermal		20 m^2	0.165
5.	Small Hydro Power	4 Nos.	3 Nos.	
	(a) Sal Stage II	—	2000 KW	300
	(b) Bhabha Augmentation Scheme	—	3000 KW	425
	(c) Holi	—	3000 KW	375
	(d) Renovation of Rongtong	—	—	—